## Senate Resolution 969

By: Senators Williams of the 39th, Jordan of the 6th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Harrell of the 40th and others

## A RESOLUTION

| 1  | Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide that the    |
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| 2  | General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the state congressional    |
| 3  | and state House and Senate districts by an independent commission; to provide for related       |
| 4  | matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for |
| 5  | other purposes.   |
| 6  | BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:  |
| 7  | SECTION 1.  |
| 8  | Article III, Section II of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph II as follows:     |
| 9  | "Paragraph II. Apportionment of General Assembly. The General Assembly shall                    |
| 10 | apportion the Senate and House districts. Such districts shall be composed of contiguous        |
| 11 | territory. The apportionment of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall be         |
| 12 | changed by the General Assembly as necessary after each United States decennial census.         |
| 13 | The General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the state              |
| 14 | congressional and state House and Senate districts by an independent commission."               |
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| 15 | <b>SECTION 2.</b>   |
| 16 | The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as            |
| 17 | provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the   |
| 18 | above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:                   |
| 19 | "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the                  |
| 20 | () NO General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the                  |
| 21 | state congressional and state House and Senate districts by an independent                      |
| 22 | commission?"  |
| 23 | All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."     |
| 24 | All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If       |
| 25 | such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall    |
| 26 | become a part of the Constitution of this state.  |
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